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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2004, enclosed please find a Response and Amendments to be made and a Petition for Extension of Time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048 (Docket No. GC560-D1-C1). A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 24, 2004

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2004, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be made as indicated below. Applicants also petition for one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action. None of the amendments to the Claims is intended to narrow the scope of any of the amended Claims within the meaning of *Festo*¹. Instructions to amend the Specification begin on page 2, while instructions for amendments to the Claims begin on page 3, the Remarks section begins on page 7, and the Conclusion is on page 12.

¹*Festo Corp. v. Shoketsu Kogyo Kabushiki Co.*, No. 95-1066, 2000 WL 1753646 (Fed. Cir. Nov. 29, 2000).

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